Construction of township near Delhi University station

2154. DR. AKHILESH DAS: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation has a plan to construct a mini-township right next to the up-coming Delhi University Station, with about a thousand flats;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the objective of the projected township; and

(c) the steps taken so far in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) and (b) With a view to raising resources for the Delhi Mass Rapid Transit System Project, Phase-I in accordance with the approved funding plan therefor, the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation Ltd. (DMRC) has invited bids for a housing scheme for about 1000 flats, near Delhi University Station, through private developer(s) to be selected on the basis of competitive bidding.

DMRC is not developing the housing scheme itself. The cost of the scheme cannot be stated at this stage, as it will depend on the bids received.

(c) An advertisement for this purpose has been placed by the DMRC in prominent newspapers on 20.11.2003, inviting developers, who meet the prescribed criteria to participate in the competitive bidding process.

Wastage of Drinking Water

2155. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that 40 per cent of drinking water in NCT of Delhi is wasted every year and the local agencies are unable to take any remedial steps;

(b) if so, the details thereof;